Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—If the Hon'ble Member for Education personally promised it, it was very wrong because Government have to review their position. I do not think that the Member for Education made that definite assurance.

Pay—Hebrew teacher—raising of.

87. **Mr. Shabdai S. Koder** *(Jews Special).*—Vide answer to Question No. 7 given on the 23rd Vrischigam 1111; will the Government be pleased to state whether the Director of Public Instruction has made the necessary enquiries and has now raised the pay of the Hebrew teacher to that of Arabic teacher?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—No, the question of raising the pay of the Hebrew teacher must wait till finances improve.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews-Special).*—May I know why the Director of Public Instruction did not make the necessary enquiries at least to see the number of Hebrew Teachers?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—I do not understand what the Hon'ble Member takes objection to. If it is the number of teachers I shall give the information this afternoon.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews-Special).*—Since there are only three teachers am I to understand that there are no funds?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—The question is not so isolated. Increase in salary is not a question of protection of minorities. If the pay of these teachers is raised the pay of teachers similarly placed will also have to be considered.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews-Special).*—You raised the pay of the Arabic teachers from 15-20 and you promised to make the necessary enquiries.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—I am confident that I did not promise to raise the pay of the teachers. I said that I would institute enquiries with regard to these teachers. They are entirely employed in primary and Lower Secondary Schools; whereas the Arabic teachers are employed in the High Schools also., and the salary of High School teachers is naturally higher.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancherri).*—May I know what their pay is?

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Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—They get the same pay as the ordinary Pandit of any other language, i.e., Rs. 20-30.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews-Special).*—It is only Rs. 15/-. You are referring to the Quoran teachers.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—The second grade of the Hebru teachers is Rs. 15-20.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews-Special).*—How many of them are there?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—I want notice.

E. M. School, Kattakampal—closing of.

88. **Mr. T. C. Iyyukutty** *(Pazhanji).*—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether the Manager, E. M. School, Kattakampal, closed the school without the previous sanction from the Government;

(b) why it was closed;

(c) what action has been taken by the Government?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—

(a) Yes.

(b) The Manager has not informed the department why he closed the school.

(c) The Director of Public Instruction and the Inspector, Northern Division, made a joint inspection and made arrangements to re-start the school under the management of Mr. Cheruvathur Cheru Chakkunny, a worthy of the locality from 10th Thulam 1112 (26th October 1936).

Mr. T. C. Iyyukutty *(Pazhanji).*—What action has been taken by the Government against the Manager for closing the school without the previous sanction of the Government?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—The rules do not authorise the authorities to take any action. They are at perfect liberty to close the School. But the Government can withdraw the recognition of the School.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Pallippuram).*—Suppose no body comes forward to take up the management. There will be trouble. Some rules should therefore be framed.

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